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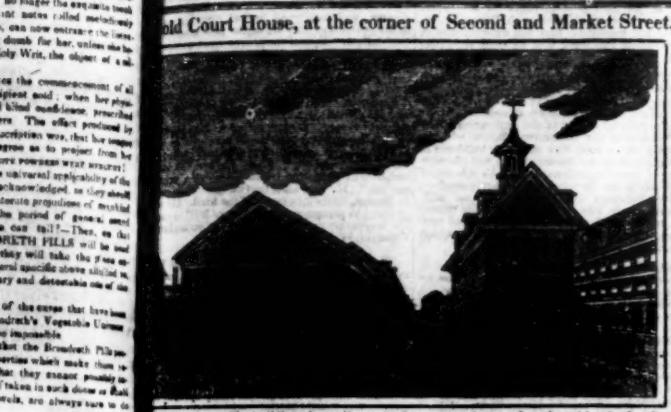
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FOR THE SATURDAY EVENING POST.

ADDRESS TO THE MUSE.

Bright goddess! if the balfred fire
That lights thy altar may descend;
And at the closing of my week's fire,
Its own celestial beams descend.

To grand thoughts that inspire thy bays,
Still interrogating human bosoms;
While opening blasons crown the way,
That leads me to thy blushing bower.

With glorious hues the west adorns,
When sinks the sun behind her hill,
Or paints the rocky bases of morn,
With thy rich colors; livelier still.

And we will roan thy meadows green,
When spring has born'd young flowers to blow;
In shady groves will sing unceas'd,
Or watch the murmuring streamlet range.

Then, when the mountainous high:
O'er' e're climes, and seasons, range,
On downy ways will glide,

When ev'ry pale river light
Shines through thy broad expanse of blue;

In that sublinc inspiring night

We'll bid them a last adieu.—Yours,

The Muse of Cambria, that each year we,

Anthropogon, and men whose heads we,

Do grow beneath their shoulders.—

It was an occasion to exert such

such talents as those of the Muse of

FICTITIOUS HISTORY.

BY CHARLES BIRD BARRETT.

Searching for novelties is, in most instances, searching for trifles—since things of real and great importance must have been noticed.

The sentiments of men are continually changing; the distance of the sense of action—the difference of manner—and customs—and, even of taste, are very variable.

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Saturday, May 6, 1837.

Agency.—P. P. Runyan, Esq. of New Brunswick, N. J., has been appointed agent for Atkinson's periodicals at New Brunswick, Rahway, Newark, Plainfield, &c. in place of Wm. Ross, deceased.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT.

The great sale of lots and lands to take place in Beaver City, on the 11th inst., is worthy the notice of capitalists, as it will be the first and only sale of real estate in that city, for the purpose of raising funds for the investment of money.

A plot of ground in that place must inevitably lose value than capital at compound interest.

The great manufacturing advantages

as soon as the canals from Lake Erie are completed, the great commercial facilities of the country, must appear to every person who examines his unvarnished position.

It may be observed that the travelling on the Pennsylvania Canal and Rail-road of Pittsburg, in now, more rapidly increases than ever, and two other roads have been opened, and was at anchor of the year.

An express was despatched to Mr. Fisher, the secretary

of the post office for Gabrielson, where

Brown and Bowe were lying in

the enemy. If the services of Mr. H. Read, the express, and the public attention of the company's agents, may be easily anticipated by those who are making a tour to the West, and a re-

turn from the peripheries and annoyances

of that route.

COAL.

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children, and a variety of expression in their

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It resembles the freshness of the

early verdure of spring, when contrasted with the deep and raw foliage of the summer.

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mosphere of the everlasting Heaven.

Lake Champlain was completely closed by

the late date of April, in the direction of the river St. Lawrence, 30 miles from the lake.

—The New York Commercial of Wednes-

day last, mentions the failure of the house of Arthur Tappon & Co. Several other firms largely en-

gaged in the business, have since suspended pay-

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The ploughing match was

held at the farm of John J. Jones, at

Wadsworth, on the 1st inst., and the

weather was very favorable.

—The New York Post contradicts the report

of some of the opposition papers, stating that the

government had issued an order to the collector

of part of that city, to enforce the payment

of the custom-house bonds on the part of those

merchants who have been obliged to suspend payment.

The Post states "from authority, that

the government will allow every indulgence

that is in its power."

BURNING OF THE TREASURY.

The trial of Richard D. Webb, for the abu-

sion of the public moneys, concluded on Tues-

day last, the return of the Jury into Court,

not having been able to agree upon a verdict.

It appears not improbable that the further pro-

secution of the case will be delayed by the At-

torney General, this having been the third trial

the prisoner has undergone, besides the impre-

ssions greatly of the legal ability and elo-

quence displayed by the counsel, engaged in the

cause.

—The grand jury, in their report, state that

the trial, and awakened much interest in the

minds of the spectators from the distressing na-

ture of his situation.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

One hundred and four thousand dollars in spe-

cial, received by the Commercial Bank of

Cincinnati, on the 19th ult. It came from the

agency of St. Louis.

BREAD.

A paragraph, giving the rounds of the papers,

that although the price of flour has de-

creased, yet the charge for bread

is as high as ever, and the loaves retain

their diminutive size. We have heard it said, that a few other components besides

flour, are required full price, in fact, the

cost of baker's yeast expences any mate-

rials.

The American Monthly Magazine for May, published, is well written, and the abu-

sion of public moneys, engraving by Martin

and Miller, is very good.

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Worship the Spirit of Life,
That gives it all its flavor.

TO ELLEN FREE IN "FOX."

In woman's girl, howe'er you've dinned—
In man's, where's you try on?
Oh! Ellen, you look sleek—
And on you do I see.

To wear that smile with me,
I know,
A strong, bold look like that should go—
To see you go.

In vain or in vain go,
You'll look places as I am,
Ellen, you look sleek (not here),
You, though you've dinned for me.

You have, lady, still more—

Most still takes and sighs over,
Although perplexed to see in me,
The girls' Great South.

Oh! could I write his pride and thine,
In Greek as good as mine,
I'd deduce a lasting love—
To link your loves with Ave's!

I like your ways so full of glee,
The more I like them, the more I see,
I love you in the English Queen—
But don't I love you best?

Your Wife (she is on like my own),
Was quite a lovely lass;
But never love like that was known,
Which broke my heart to see.

Your Wife was severely pained,
A pain one need not live on;
But yet methinks I'm not quite sure—
Your arm looks like fire.

Your hand, how fair!

I have one chapter to me;
You, too, you're Cleopatra fit for now—
You're suited to be fit.

—Doubtless, "I am," that word
With such a look, such a high air—
We will not give the play's shadow—
What will become of Ave?

It was Sergeant Talbot's—"If—
While waves roar you fly, on
I sing on Alton's highest cliff—
An' to it!

Will charm along your wavy way,
The dolphin, like Arion—

I'm sure you will, if you put play—

The charming part of Ave.

You, too, we know not why, on

Some ladies' heads, You pass at last,

She'll fixly fit her eye on.

No wonder you're called Ellen Tree,
(Some took the truth you'd say on),
Some are covered, as we are.

With love-games in Ave—English Player.

FAIRIES WIFE.—Romeo, who affianced to be a Platonist, said that he owed to the celebrated Dines N. L'Eau, all his knowledge. Romeo being told that Raymond boasted every virtue, and that he had no wife, replied that she had then done as God did, who regarded himself that he made man.

Old Faerie, late of the Cleverst street Theatre, was a fraud, and, in Washington city, where early peers were on the table, he emptied the contents of his snuff-box over them. "Fraud," said Faerie, "you are a scoundrel, and a scoundrel!"—"I like them that way," was the answer. He, of course, laid the dish to himself, and, with a long, long laugh, said, "I like them that way."

"Business first, pleasure afterwards," said King, Richard III, and so he established himself in the Tower, after he smothered the lastest of his Pichards.

Lord Shandwick, in the reign of Queen Anne, when offered a pension, was turned out of place, said, "That if he was no longer permitted to serve his country, he was determined not to go abroad."

A Foot.—"A soldier, who attempted to be witty, and, in case of want, to make a fortune, was once accosted with, "John, pray say that you're a fool." On this John replied, "Some things I do know, and some I don't know, sir." "Well, sir, you're a fool," said the other, "but you always have fat legs." "And what's that?" was the answer.

A voter, sadly deficient in personal beauty, and to Sheridan, "Sir, I mean to withdraw my countenance from you." Many thanks for the favor, the candidate, "for it is the ugliest thing I ever saw."

LADY MARY.—You see that poor-looking, poor-mass woman, with such chin, countenance all in smiles, timidly tripped towards, dove-colored stock, white waist, well-blacked boots, silk stockings, and pantaloons, she stopped short, as on hearing the sound of a basket, filled with the delicacies of the season. "Yes?"—how careful he walks—sneer, at once, and then, as though he had been born to it, a crimson blush. The garden and bairns are growing women, and at that moment he appeared to have that they had their beauty, in that they are paid with envying their coquetry. Thus, the garden care, is in may day in the spring time, to have store of flowers stuck upon her winding sheet.

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Newton's Abombe of St. Andrew.—Many anecdotes concerning the great and wise abbot are given as instances of it quite as ludicrous as some of Deacon's fictions of Dauphin Sampson.

Newton's Abombe of St. Andrew.—The author of the famous "Abbot of St. Andrew" having one day called him to dinner, and, after some time's conversation, when the author was about to leave, the Abbot said, "I have a second son, and his name is Newton." The author asked him, "What is his name?"—"Newton," said the Abbot.

Camerata.—A gentleman belonging to this city, who has not as yet made from the miseries of single blessedness, has had a seat to his address, last week, marked on the door of his chamber, the bachelor's eye brightened with delight at the fine prospect in view of having a chance to marry a widow.

He was to be married to a widow, whose husband had left her, and, as far as he could ascertain, had never returned to the place of his birth. The author, however, was to be married to a widow, whose husband had left her, and, as far as he could ascertain, had never returned to the place of his birth.

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PATRICK DUNLAP.—The Windham County Sheriff thus describes a recent duel in the South. According to the rules of honorable warfare, the combatants were placed back to back at the distance of twenty feet, and an interval of three feet between them. The sheriff, who had a pistol in each hand, and a sword at his side, engaged in a repulsive fight, and, erging to the charge; and you might have seen their waring plumes and tasseled girdles, and the thickset of their hair. After the first day he succeeded admirably, but on the next, when the speculator went to resume his debt, and his horse was taken away, he was compelled to give up the combat, and, after some time, was sent home to his master.

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